

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A wireless packet communication system comprising a base station and a plurality of mobile units, wherein a mobile unit "i" notifies information indicating a transmission rate  $DRC_i(n)$  receivable with downlink, information of the transmission rate  $DRC_i(n)$  itself or information from which the transmission rate  $DRC_i(n)$  can be derived to a base station in every slots, and

the base station computes  $R_i(n)$  relevant to all the mobile units "i" in every slots capable of transmission in accordance with the following formula (1) or a formula equivalent to the formula (1),

further, the base station computes an evaluation function  $F_i(n)$  in a slot "n" relevant to all the mobile units "i" in accordance with the following formula (2); determines a mobile unit "m" showing maximum value of the evaluation function  $F_i(n)$ ; and

transmits a packet to the mobile unit "m" with a downlink at a transmission rate  $DRC_m(n)$  at which the mobile unit "m" is receivable,

$$R_i(n) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{t_c}\right) \times R_i(n-1) + \frac{1}{t_c} \times f(r_i(n-1)) \quad \dots (1)$$

wherein  $r_i(n)$  represents a transmission rate in a slot "n" relevant to a mobile unit "i";  $t_c$  represents a time constant; and

$f(\ )$  denotes an arbitrary function, provided if  $f(x) \neq C \cdot x$ .

$$F_i(n) = \frac{DRC_i(n)}{R_i(n)} \quad \dots (2)$$

5           2. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein, when it is assumed that the transmission rate  $DRC_i(n)$  at which the mobile unit "i" is receivable is an always constant value "x", when a target value of a relative throughput of the mobile unit is  $S(x)$ ,

10           the function  $f()$  is the following formula (3) or a formula equivalent to the formula (3):

$$f(x) = \frac{C \cdot x^2}{S(x)} \quad (C \text{ is an arbitrary constant}) \quad \dots (3)$$

15           3. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein function  $f()$  in the foregoing formula (1) is the following formula (4) or a formula equivalent to the formula (4):

$$20 \quad f(x) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N_i} h_k(x)}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_i} g_j(x)} \quad (g_j(x) \text{ and } h_j(x) \text{ are arbitrary functions.}) \quad \dots (4)$$

25           4. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein the formula  $f()$  in the foregoing formula

(1) is the following formula (5) and is a formula equivalent to the formula (5):

$$f(x) = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{N_2} c_k \cdot x^{d_k}}{\sum_{j=1}^{N_1} a_j \cdot x^{b_j}} \quad (a_j, b_j, c_k \text{ and } d_k \text{ are arbitrary constants.}) \quad \dots (5)$$

5. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 4, wherein the constant in the foregoing function (5) is  $N_1 = 2$ ,  $b_1 = 0$ ,  $b_2 = 1$ ,  $N_2 = 1$ ,  $d_1 = 2$ .

6. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 4, wherein the constants in the foregoing function (5) is  $N_1 = 1$ ,  $b_1 = 0$ ,  $N_2 = 1$ ,  $d_1 \neq 1$ .

7. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 4, wherein the constants in the foregoing function (5) is  $N_1 = 2$ ,  $b_1 = 0$ ,  $b_2 = 1$ ,  $N_2 = 1$ ,  $d_1 = 1$ .

8. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein a plurality of mobile units are classified by a plurality of classes [1] to [M] in advance, and the function  $f(x)$  in the foregoing formula (1) is  $f_k(x)$  relevant

to the mobile units of class [k] (k = 1 to M).

9. A wireless packet communication system according  
5 to claim 8, wherein the foregoing function  $f_k(x)$  (k = 1  
to M) is  $f_k(x)$  that has a relationship with the following  
formula (6).

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_2(x) = \frac{1}{A_2} \cdot f_1(x) \\ f_3(x) = \frac{1}{A_3} \cdot f_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_M(x) = \frac{1}{A_M} \cdot f_1(x) \end{array} \right\} (6)$$

10. A wireless packet communication system according  
to claim 1, wherein formula  $f()$  of the foregoing formula  
(1) relevant to a mobile unit is a function according to  
a position of the mobile unit; a distance between the mobile  
unit and the base station; an orientation of the mobile unit  
viewed from the base station, and a movement speed or an  
arbitrary combination of these factors.

25 11. A wireless packet communication system according  
to claim 1, wherein the function  $f()$  in the foregoing formula  
(1) is a function according to a communication load, a date

and time, a meteorological condition, traffic state or an arbitrary combination of these factors.

5           12. A wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein, in the case where a plurality of base stations exist, the function  $f(\ )$  in the foregoing formula (1) is a function selected for each base station, carrier, or combination of these factors, and each of the base stations  
10 computes the foregoing formula (1).

12. A base station in a wireless packet communication system according to claim 1, wherein  
15           the base station computes the foregoing  $R_i(n)$  and  $F_i(n)$ ,  
             determines a mobile unit "m" showing maximum value of  $F_i(n)$ , and  
             transmits a packet to the mobile unit "m" at a  
20 transmission rate  $DRC_m(n)$  at which the mobile unit is receivable.